

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled “Implementation and Administration of the 2013 Helium Stewardship Act”, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing on the following legislation: H.R. 3229, the “Indian Health Service Advance Appropriations Act of 2013”; H.R. 4546, the “Department of the Interior Tribal Self-Governance Act of 2014”; H.R. 4867, the “Economic Development Through Tribal Land Exchange Act”; and S. 1603, the “Gun Lake Trust Land Reaffirmation Act”, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and the Census, hearing entitled “Is the Federal Government’s General Schedule (GS) a Viable Personnel System for the Future?”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 4719, the “Fighting Hunger Incentive Act of 2014”, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce, hearing entitled “Action Delayed, Small Business Opportunities Denied: Implementation of Contracting Reforms in the FY 2013 NDAA”, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “EPA’s Expanded Interpretation of its Permit Veto Authority Under the Clean Water Act”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine an assessment of the recovery at five years, 2 p.m., SH-216.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 15 through July 18, 2014

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 12 noon, Senate will vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of Norman C. Bay, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and Cheryl A. LaFleur, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. If cloture is invoked, Senate will vote on confirmation of the nominations at 3 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: July 15, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 2015 for the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SD-192.

July 16, Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine strengthening trade

enforcement to protect American enterprise and grow American jobs, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

July 17, Full Committee, business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2015 for the Department of Defense, 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Armed Services: July 16, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, with the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold a joint hearing to examine options for assuring domestic space access, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

July 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of General Joseph F. Dunford, Jr., USMC, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commandant of the Marine Corps, Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 15, to hold hearings to examine the semiannual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress, 10 a.m., SD-106.

July 16, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine what makes a bank systemically important, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 15, business meeting to consider the nominations of Elliot F. Kaye, of New York, to be a Commissioner and Chairman, and Joseph P. Mohorovic, of Illinois, and Robert S. Adler, of the District of Columbia, both to be a Commissioner, all of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, Judith M. Davenport, of Pennsylvania, and Elizabeth Sembler, of Florida, both to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, Victor M. Mendez, of Arizona, to be Deputy Secretary, and Peter M. Rogoff, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Policy, both of the Department of Transportation, Bruce H. Andrews, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary, and Marcus Dwayne Jadotte, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Commerce, and a Coast Guard Promotion List, Time to be announced, S-216, Capitol.

July 16, Full Committee, with the Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold a joint hearing to examine options for assuring domestic space access, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

July 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine consumer choice, consolidation and the future video marketplace, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

July 17, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine accountability and corporate culture in wake of the General Motors (GM) recalls, 10 a.m., SR-253.

July 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Federal reserve portfolio, focusing on capitalizing on investments in research and development, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 15, to hold hearings to examine wildland fire preparedness and to consider the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2015 for the Forest Service, 10:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: July 16, Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, to hold hearings to examine S. 571, to amend the Federal Water Pollution

Control Act to establish a deadline for restricting sewage dumping into the Great Lakes and to fund programs and activities for improving wastewater discharges into the Great Lakes, S. 1153, to establish an improved regulatory process for injurious wildlife to prevent the introduction and establishment in the United States of nonnative wildlife and wild animal pathogens and parasites that are likely to cause harm, S. 1175, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to establish a program to provide loans and loan guarantees to enable eligible public entities to acquire interests in real property that are in compliance with habitat conservation plans approved by the Secretary of the Interior under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, S. 1202, to establish an integrated Federal program to respond to ongoing and expected impacts of extreme weather and climate change by protecting, restoring, and conserving the natural resources of the United States, and to maximize government efficiency and reduce costs, in cooperation with State, local, and tribal governments and other entities, S. 1232, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to protect and restore the Great Lakes, H.R. 1300, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to reauthorize the volunteer programs and community partnerships for the benefit of national wildlife refuges, S. 1381, to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to clarify provisions enacted by the Captive Wildlife Safety Act, to further the conservation of certain wildlife species, S. 1650, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to exempt certain Alaska Native articles from prohibitions against sale of items containing nonedible migratory bird parts, S. 2225, to provide for a smart water resource management pilot program, S. 2530, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the importation or exportation of mussels of certain genus, and S. 2560, to authorize the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to seek compensation for injuries to trust resources and use those funds to restore, replace, or acquire equivalent resources, 3 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: July 15, to hold hearings to examine chronic illness, focusing on addressing patients' unmet needs, 10 a.m., SD-215.

July 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert W. Holleyman II, of Louisiana, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, and Cary Douglas Pugh, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, 10 a.m., SD-215.

July 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the role of trade and technology in 21st century manufacturing, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: July 15, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John R. Bass, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey, Jane D. Hartley, of New York, to be Ambassador to the French Republic, James D. Pettit, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova, Brent Robert Hartley, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Slovenia, and Kevin F. O'Malley, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to Ireland, all of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

July 16, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the Protocol Amending the Convention between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Spain for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and its Protocol, signed at Madrid on February 22, 1990 (Treaty Doc. 113-04), The Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Poland for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, signed on February 13, 2013, at Warsaw (Treaty Doc. 113-05), H.R. 4028, to amend the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 to include the desecration of cemeteries among the many forms of violations of the right to religious freedom, S. 2577, to require the Secretary of State to offer rewards totaling up to \$5,000,000 for information on the kidnapping and murder of Naftali Fraenkel, a dual United States-Israeli citizen, that began on June 12, 2014, S. Res. 498, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding United States support for the State of Israel as it defends itself against unprovoked rocket attacks from the Hamas terrorist organization, S. Res. 500, expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to enhanced relations with the Republic of Moldova and support for the Republic of Moldova's territorial integrity, and the nominations of Alfonso E. Lenhardt, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, and Marcia Denise Occomy, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Director of the African Development Bank, 10 a.m., S-116, Capitol.

July 16, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine reenergizing United States-India ties, 3 p.m., SD-419.

July 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Central America in crisis and the exodus of unaccompanied minors, 10 a.m., SD-419.

July 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Marcia Stephens Bloom Bernicat, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh, and David Pressman, of New York, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be an Alternate Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Alternate Representative for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, both of the Department of State, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: July 17, Subcommittee on Primary Health and Aging, to hold hearings to examine the need to improve patient safety and reduce preventable deaths, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: July 16, to hold hearings to examine challenges at the border, focusing on examining and addressing the root of the causes behind the rise in apprehensions at the Southern Border, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: July 16, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of the Interior's land buy-back program, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: July 15, to hold hearings to examine S. 1696, to protect a women's right to determine whether and when to bear a child or end a pregnancy by limiting restrictions on the provision of abortion services, focusing on removing barriers to constitutionally protected reproductive rights, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 15, Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism, to hold hearings to examine taking down botnets, focusing on public and private efforts to disrupt and dismantle cybercriminal networks, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

July 17, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Pamela Harris, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Pamela Pepper, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, Brenda K. Sannes, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, and Patricia M. McCarthy, of Maryland, and Jeri Kaylene Somers, of Virginia, both to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: July 16, to hold hearings to examine the state of Veterans Affairs health care, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

Select Committee on Intelligence: July 15, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

July 17, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: July 16, to hold hearings to examine phone scams, focusing on progress and potential solutions, 2:15 p.m., SD-562.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, July 15, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing on Overseas Contingency Operations Funding FY 2015, 8 a.m., H-140, The Capitol. This is a closed hearing.

July 15, Full Committee, markup on Interior and Environment and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2015, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, July 15, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on Government Accountability Office review of the Prisoner of War/Missing in Action (POW/MIA) community and the restructuring of these agencies as proposed by the Department of Defense, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 16, Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 649, directing the Secretary of Defense to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of any emails in the possession of the Department of Defense or the National Security Agency that were transmitted to or from the email account(s) of former Internal Revenue Service Exempt Organizations Division Director Lois Lerner between January 2009 and April 2011, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 16, Full Committee, hearing on Fiscal Year 2015 OCO Budget Request, 10:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, hearing on Unmanned Carrier-Launched Airborne Surveillance and Strike (UCLASS) Requirements Assessment, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled "Russian Violations of the INF Treaty: After detection-what?", 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, July 16, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Long-Term Budget Outlook", 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

July 17, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The President's Funding Request for Overseas Contingency Operations", 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, July 15, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, hearing entitled "Protecting America's Youth: An Update from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, July 15, Full Committee, markup on the following legislation: H.R. 4771, the "Designer Anabolic Steroid Control Act"; H.R. 4250, the "Sunscreen Innovation Act"; H.R. 594, the "Paul D. Wellstone Muscular Dystrophy Community Assistance, Research and Education Amendments of 2014"; H.R. 669, the "Sudden Unexpected Death and Data Enhancement and Awareness Act"; H.R. 4290, the "Wakefield Act of 2014"; H.R. 4450, the "Travel Promotion, Enhancement, and Modernization Act of 2014"; and H.R. 5057, the "EPS Service Parts Act of 2014", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Review of CDC Anthrax Lab Incident", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Failure to Verify: Concerns Regarding PPACA's Eligibility System", 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology; and Subcommittee on Health, joint subcommittee hearing entitled "21st Century Technology for 21st Century Cures", 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, July 15, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "The Department of Justice's 'Operation Choke Point'", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "Examining Regulatory Relief Proposals for Community Financial Institutions, Part II", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 16, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled "A Legislative Proposal Entitled the 'Bank Account Seizure of Terrorist Assets (BASTA) Act'", 9:45 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, July 15, Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled "The Future of Turkish Democracy", 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade; and Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, joint subcommittee hearing entitled "The Rise of ISIL: Iraq and Beyond", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 16, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Iran’s Destabilizing Role in the Middle East”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “The Growing Crisis of Africa’s Orphans”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, July 16, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, hearing entitled “Port of Entry Infrastructure: How Does the Federal Government Prioritize Investments?”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 15, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security and Investigations, hearing entitled “Lessons from the States: Responsible Prison Reform”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property and the Internet, hearing entitled “Moral Rights, Termination Rights, Resale Royalty, and Copyright Term”, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing on the “Financial Institution Bankruptcy Act of 2014”, 3:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 16, Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 646, directing the Attorney General to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of any emails in the possession of the Department of Justice that were transmitted to or from the email account(s) of former Internal Revenue Service Exempt Organizations Division Director Lois Lerner between January 2009 and April 2011; and H.R. 744, the “STOP Identity Theft Act of 2013”, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing entitled “Guilty until Proven Innocent? A Study of the Propriety & Legal Authority for the Justice Department’s Operation Choke Point”, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, July 15, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled “Implementation and Administration of the 2013 Helium Stewardship Act”, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 15, Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing on the following legislation: H.R. 3229, the “Indian Health Service Advance Appropriations Act of 2013”; H.R. 4546, the “Department of the Interior Tribal Self-Governance Act of 2014”; H.R. 4867, the “Economic Development Through Tribal Land Exchange Act”; and S. 1603, the “Gun Lake Trust Land Reaffirmation Act”, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 16, Full Committee markup on the following legislation: the “Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act”; H.R. 277, to revise the boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Sachuest Point Unit RI-04P, Easton Beach Unit RI-05P, Almy Pond Unit RI-06, and Hazards Beach Unit RI-07 in Rhode Island; H.R. 916, the “Federal Land Asset Inventory Reform Act of 2013”; H.R. 1810, to revise the boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Gasparilla Island Unit in Florida; H.R. 2158, the “Expedited Departure of Certain Snake Species Act”; H.R. 3572, to revise the boundaries of certain John H. Chafee

Coastal Barrier Resources System units in North Carolina; H.R. 3806, the “Great Smoky Mountains National Park Agreement Act of 2013”; H.R. 4751, to make technical corrections to Public Law 110-229 to reflect the renaming of the Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, July 15, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and the Census, hearing entitled “Is the Federal Government’s General Schedule (GS) a Viable Personnel System for the Future?”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 16, Full Committee, hearing entitled “White House Office of Political Affairs: Is Supporting Candidates and Campaign Fund-Raising an Appropriate Use of a Government Office?”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Job Creation and Regulatory Affairs, hearing entitled “Examining the Justice Department’s Response to the IRS Targeting Scandal”, 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, July 15, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 4719, the “Fighting Hunger Incentive Act of 2014”, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

July 16, Full Committee, hearing on a discussion draft of a House Resolution providing for the authority to initiate litigation for actions by the President inconsistent with his duties under the Constitution of the United States, 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, July 16, Subcommittee on Oversight, and Subcommittee on Environment, joint subcommittee hearing entitled “Status of Reforms to EPA’s Integrated Risk Information System”, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled “Policies to Spur Innovative Medical Breakthroughs from Laboratories to Patients”, 9 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, July 15, Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce, hearing entitled “Action Delayed, Small Business Opportunities Denied: Implementation of Contracting Reforms in the FY 2013 NDAA”, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, July 15, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “EPA’s Expanded Interpretation of its Permit Veto Authority Under the Clean Water Act”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 16, Full Committee, markup on the following legislation: General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions; H. Con. Res. 103, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run; H.R. 3044, to approve the transfer of Yellow Creek Port properties in Iuka, Mississippi; H.R. 5078, the “Waters of the United States Regulatory Overreach Protection Act of 2014”; H.R. 4854, the “Regulatory Certainty Act”; H.R. 5077, the “Coal Jobs Protection Act of 2014”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, July 16, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Creating Efficiency through Comparison: An Evaluation of Private Sector Best Practices and the VA Health Care System", 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, July 17, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Ongoing Intelligence Activities", 9 a.m., 304-HVC. This is a closed hearing.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: July 15, to hold hearings to examine an assessment of the recovery at five years, 2 p.m., SH-216.